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## THEODORE LOUIS DELAND.

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Theodore L. DeLand was born at Kirtland, Oneida County, New York, June 28, 1841; he died suddenly September 1, 1911, of heart failure, at his residence, 1415 Newton Street, Washington, D. C.

Mr. DeLand was educated at Fort Edward Institute.

He removed from New York to Aurora, Illinois, from which place he was appointed to a position in the Treasury Department, and came to Washington in 1871.

In 1894 he was transferred to the Civil Service Commission to attend to the work of the Treasury Department there, but returned to the Department in 1898.

In 1906 he was made Examiner of Clerks of the Treasury Department slated for promotion.

Mr. DeLand was one of the best known clerks of the Treasury Department and held many responsible positions during his forty years of faithful service.

Mr. DeLand was a mathematician of marked ability, and for years a mathematical expert in the Treasury Department.

He was a valued contributor to a number of the mathematical periodicals of his day, among the most important of which may be mentioned *The Analyst*, DeMoines, Iowa, edited and published by Dr. Joel E. Hendricks; the *Mathematical Visitor*, and the *Mathematical Magazine*, edited and published by the writer of this article; and THE AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL MONTHLY.

Mr. DeLand was very skillful in handling problems relating to bonds and other Government securities, and to finite differences.

He solved the following problem, which had been proposed by him in a previous number, on page 169 of No. 6, Vol. I (1881), of the *Mathematical Visitor*: "In 1861 a 6-per-cent 20-year coin bond of the United States, interesr payable semi-annually, sold on the market for \$0.891 on the dollar; what, on this basis, would have been the market value of a 4-per-cent 28-year coin bond of the United States, interest payable quarterly?"

Mr. DeLand contributed the following papers to the *Mathematical Magazine*: "The United States Bond Problem," published in Vol. II, No. 9 (January, 1895), pages 161-163; "The United States Sinking Fund," published in Vol. II, No. 12 (September, 1904), pages 273-274.

He is survived by a widow, one son, and two daughters.